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## BAY ST. LOUIS CITY AND HANCOCK COUNTY VIE WITH OTHER SECTIONS AT MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST FAIR AT GULFPORT THIS WEEK

Chamber of Commerce Sponsors Handsome and Spacious  
Booth For City—One of Main Attractions of Fair  
—Many Register While Visiting—This  
Section Put On Map.

SIX COMMUNITIES FROM HANCOCK COUNTY  
WELL REPRESENT AGRICULTURAL INTERESTS

Kiln, Sellers, Lee Town, Caesar, Catahoula and Flat Top  
Decorated Symbolically of Name—Demonstration and  
County Agents Entitled to Credit—Hancock  
County Is Well Advertised.

Hostesses For Fair.

Tuesday—Misses Mariam and Levia

Engman.

Wednesday—Mrs. S. F. Gentry and

Mrs. C. M. Ship.

Thursday—Mrs. H. U. Carty and

Mrs. E. W. Drackett.

Friday—Miss Clara Kergosien and

Miss Daisy Bordages.

Today—Mrs. George R. Rea and

Mrs. Donald Marshall.

Presented under the auspices of

the Chamber of Commerce the Bay

St. Louis exhibit attracted many and

won innumerable eulogiums of

praise. It is indeed well worthy of

all the nice things vouchered for it by

visitors, generous in their praise, and

it is satisfying to those who have the

work in hand.

E. G. Gex Orator For Occasion.

Wednesday was set aside as Bay St.

City Day, and many from the Bay

City went over for the event. Hon.

E. G. Gex, of Bay St. Louis, was the

speaker of the day, fulfilling this mis-

sion, as usual, in his engaging style

and force of constructive thought.

Took Double Space This Year.

Using twenty-five feet of floor

space last year, this season that

amount was doubled and a most in-

teresting, Japanese in tenor,

erect, here and there were invit-

ing nooks and spaces and the

tired visitor finds a haven in the Bay

St. Louis city booth, with its host-

esses ready to entertain and to tell

you the best place to live, etc. A

register is inviting to write your

name, and many have inscribed cog-

nomens, in style that vary, from

Specimen perfection to Horace Gree-

ley abomination; names of the great

and near-great and lastly, names of

younger scions from which number

will possibly grace great places in

future history.

Gentry Works Hard and Successfully.

Secretary S. F. Gentry, ably as-

sisted, worked with untiring energy

and interest, under the official aus-

pices of a committee from the C. of

C. and the committee specially ap-

pointed by President Hancock county,

namely, John Osoinach, chair-

man; George R. Rea, C. Greer

Moore, C. G. Moreau. Thus, Bay St.

Louis is very much in evidence at the

fair and this was made possible by

the Chamber of Commerce. Last year

the Rotary club had the matter in

charge.

Hancock County Exhibits.

The entrance to the Hancock coun-

ty exhibits presents a Japanese arbor

done in pink and lavender tones with

wisteria hanging from the arbor.

A pleasant rest room where the host-

esses from the county greet the visi-

tors is fitted in wicker furniture,

loaned for the fair by the Bay Fur-

niture company. The entire exhibits

in these departments were sponsored

by Miss Mayme O'Dom, home demon-

stration agent from Hancock county,

and S. F. O'Neal, agriculture agent,

from Hancock county, and they,

working through the various commu-

nities with a most competent com-

mittee, produced the exhibits shown.

Miss O'Dom's department of individ-

ual canning exhibits are placed in the

center aisle and represent all the

various kinds of canning, preserving

and such preparation and preserva-

tion of fruits and vegetables as is

done by the club women and club

girls of the county. The exhibits

shown represent about twenty wom-

en and twenty girl exhibitors, the

latter showing club records. The

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## CENTRAL SCHOOL P. T. A. TO MEET NEXT SATURDAY

At the October meeting it was  
voted to hold the November meeting  
on the second Friday of the month,  
the first Friday being a Fair day.

All members are asked to answer  
roll call with a short review of some  
book, new or old, that she has been  
reading lately. November is "Book  
Week" month.

The by-laws read that each month  
ly meeting shall be on the first Fri-  
day of each month. It has been sug-  
gested to meet some other day, as

many of the games are played on this  
day, and both teachers and parents  
want to attend both. So a new meet-  
ing day will be selected at the No-  
vember meeting, due notice being  
here given of the change.

The Association officers, say:  
"Please remember the date of this  
next meeting, November 12th, at 3:15  
—Central School."

## RED CROSS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FOR BAY ST. LOUIS

Annual Drive For Hancock County to Begin Next Thurs-  
day—Certain County Will Go Over Top—Never  
Falls One Hundred Per Cent.

On Armistice Day, November 11th,  
all over the United States the Red  
Cross will begin enrolling its mem-  
bers for 1927. From headquarters  
in Washington comes the statement  
that Mississippi is not as well or-  
ganized and as responsive as it should be.  
Special workers are to work up the  
effort for sufficient membership in  
our state. However, it may be with  
the rest of the counties, the above  
statement can't refer to Hancock  
county which has raised its quota of  
100 memberships easily for the past  
several years.

Next this money paid in for mem-  
bership stays in a local bank, ready  
for any emergencies which may arise  
at home. In this way there is always  
a fund at hand to start with in case  
of a big need. There have been a  
few cases of charity which have been  
aided by the Red Cross. These cases  
have been some men, some women,  
some children, some old people, some  
families looked up, some data furnished  
different chapters in the United  
States.

Last week, on Thursday, the drive  
will begin. There are organized  
workers in the county. They will all  
get busy at the same time. When you  
see the flags flying you will also see  
Red Cross posters in windows, and  
on the cars of paid-up members will  
be seen the usual Red Cross stick-  
ers. Get your flags out for Armistice  
Day and be glad to give a dollar for  
membership to the Red Cross. Think  
how many gave sons and husbands  
for our safety and comfort. There  
give a membership cheerfully for the  
safety and comfort of the destitute.  
The list of county workers will ap-  
pear in next week's Echo.

Atlas Drug Company Get  
Contract From Harrison Co.

The Atlas Drug Company, Roland  
and Cassidy, proprietors, of Bay St.  
Louis, were successful bidders Mon-  
day at Gulfport, before the Harrison  
County Board of Supervisors, for  
supplying sixteen hundred gallons of  
oil, made according to official  
formula of A. M. college.

In view of the fact there were other  
bidders, Dr. Cassidy, who person-  
ally presented his bid, expressed par-  
donable satisfaction over the success  
of his firm in the premises.

Opinion was expressed by the board  
that the firm of New Orleans sub-  
mitting a bid might be better able to  
fill the contract, adhere closer to  
specification and undergo the rigors  
of delivery, although not the cheapest, but  
Dr. Cassidy was quick to disillusionize  
the supervisors on this score and that  
Bay St. Louis county would for his  
bid as well as New Orleans, even  
though the latter was larger and car-  
ried more prestige.

RENSHAW ELECTED  
B-W-Y-C SECRETARY

At a meeting of the board of di-  
rectors of the Bay-Waveland Yacht  
club on last Wednesday, Norman  
Renshaw was elected as the secre-  
tary of the Bay Athletic club.

Mr. Renshaw has always taken a  
keen and active interest in ath-  
letics, and it is a foregone conclusion  
that he will be of great assistance to  
the new organization.

The club is to be congratulated  
for their selection. Mr. Renshaw is  
one of the most prominent in the com-  
munity and his selection is a most hap-  
py one. He is one of the ardent mem-  
bers of the Bay-Waveland club.

ASKS ECHO TO THANK  
HANCOCK COUNTY.

The following communication  
was received by The Echo from A.  
G. Johnson, secretary Mississippi  
Gulf Coast Fair Association:  
"I would like very much to have  
you express my sincere thanks to  
the Chamber of Commerce of Bay  
St. Louis for the very beautiful  
booth, the design of which is most  
unusual and outstanding. Also,  
for the kind co-operation of Sec-  
retary Gentry. The booth and dis-  
play is one of the most attractive  
I have ever seen at a Fair and  
Hancock county has given wonder-  
ful assistance in making the Mis-  
sissippi Gulf Coast fair a great  
success."

## MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST MORE THAN RESORT

This Section Destined to Be  
One of the Largest Com-  
mercial Centers of  
the South.

NATURAL HARBORS OF  
GULF GREAT ASSETS

Unlike Florida, the Missis-  
sippi Gulf Coast Has More  
Possibilities Than a  
Resort.

BY GORDON HUFF.

While boosting the Mississippi coast  
as one of the greatest health and re-  
sort sections of America, those ac-  
tively behind the undertaking are not  
unmindful of the fact that this sec-  
tion also offers unusual opportunities  
for industries and shipping. As a  
consequence, it is expected that dur-  
ing the next few years South Missis-  
sippi not only will be recognized as a  
great resort center, but as one of the  
largest commercial centers in the  
South.

Great faith is being placed in pos-  
sibilities of the ports at Gulfport,  
with a twenty-two-foot channel lead-  
ing from the basin in the port to deep  
water at Ship Island—a channel kept  
open at all times by the United States  
government. It is confidently ex-  
pected that provision will be made  
during the next session of Congress  
to deepen the channel to twenty-six  
feet, thereby offering a harbor which  
will accommodate ships of any size.

Since the purchase of the Gulf  
and Ship Island railroad by the Illi-  
nois Central system, ocean freight  
through the Gulfport harbor has  
shown a decided increase and it is  
thought that much of the freight  
heretofore sent through other ports  
gradually will be diverted to Gulf-  
port. For a number of years Gulf-  
port has ranked among the leading  
ports as a point of lumber export and  
is forging to the front in export of  
other commodities.

In the scheme of things as now out-  
lined for development of the Missis-  
sippi coast, it is expected that Gulf-  
port and Pascagoula soon will be de-  
veloped into the commercial centers  
of the section. Resort features will  
be left to the cities of Waveland,  
Bay St. Louis and Clermont Harbor,  
Hancock county. Pass Christian,  
Long Beach and Biloxi are bottom  
ports of the Mississippi coast in  
Harrison county and Ocean Springs and Moss  
Point in Jackson county.

At Pascagoula a natural harbor at  
the mouth of Pascagoula river is of-  
fered for export manufacturing sites.  
This harbor, averaging twenty feet  
in depth, has a natural shoal bottom  
which does not need dredging or un-  
der any kind, and extends for a  
distance of twelve miles up the river  
to Moss Point, with sites and dock  
space on both sides of the river.

Moss Point probably will be the  
only town on the Mississippi coast in  
position to offer both commercial and  
resort features. The location of the  
town lends charm to resort develop-  
ment and its location on a series of  
deep water lakes—connected with the  
river channel—offers unusual advan-  
tages for development as an impor-  
tant port.

## FLORIDA LEADS RELIEF RECORDS OF RED CROSS

Heads Major Disasters of  
1926—R. C. Active in 62  
Emergencies During  
Year.

SERVICE RENDERED  
TO FOREIGN LANDS

Preparedness to Cope With  
Great Disturbances Gives  
All Peoples Good  
Results.

Facing one of the largest rehabili-  
tation efforts of its whole history,  
as a result of the Florida hurricane,  
the American Red Cross already had  
behind it a record of service in 62  
disasters at home, up to the close of  
the fiscal year, June 30, 1926.

When the hurricane struck Florida  
with such devastation and loss of life,  
the Red Cross National Headquarters  
was just completing itself that a  
year had passed without a major dis-  
aster within the borders of the coun-  
try. The destruction in Florida has  
been tentatively estimated by Direc-  
tor of Disaster Relief Henry L. Ba-  
ker, of the American Red Cross, in  
the role of relief work ahead of the  
organization. This takes into account  
all sufferers who must be cared for.

Careful surveys by experienced au-  
thorities place the injured at 4,000,  
exclusive of the stricken Gulf Coast  
cities of Moorehaven and Clewiston.  
Of the 4,000 injured sent to Miami  
hospital, 500 were suffering from  
major fractures. In two other east  
coast communities the injured num-  
bered nearly 1,000. The homeless  
were conservatively estimated at 50,  
000. Such figures sketch only vagu-  
ely the human and material problem  
which the American Red Cross is still  
doing its utmost to solve.

For comparison the other outstand-  
ing recent disaster, the Midwest torn-  
ado of March 18, 1925, can be de-  
scribed in more detail. In that cata-  
strophe the final check showed 800  
people driven to the country by the  
families of approximately 30,000  
women and children rendered home-  
less.

So terrible did the death and de-  
struction impress itself on the experi-  
enced Red Cross forces rushed into  
Florida that Chairman John Barton  
Payne did not hesitate to call for  
relief fund from the whole country  
of \$5,000,000. The Red Cross concen-  
trated every resource in trained per-  
sonnel on the stricken region.

The New Jersey munition explo-  
sion, in July, while terrible as a spec-  
tacle, could not compare with the  
destruction of these other two disasters in  
final destructiveness. It gave the Red  
Cross an opportunity for service in  
which Red Cross nurses treated 86 in-  
jured, and during the height of the  
emergency fed between 700 and 800  
people driven to the country. More  
than 400 cases were registered with  
the Red Cross after the explosions  
for assistance in regaining their hold  
on life through rehabilitation work.  
This latter is a regular part of the  
Red Cross relief operations in all dis-  
asters, for means a task continued  
long after the country has ceased to  
think of the occurrence itself.

The year has seen a new measure  
of disaster relief preparedness inau-  
gurated by the Red Cross, under  
which a trained reserve of medical  
and surgical experts is constant-  
ly on call for any service. This pre-  
paredness justified itself in both the  
New Jersey explosion, and in the  
Florida hurricane. In the latter the  
Red Cross had at call more than 300  
experienced disaster workers with a  
dormitory of their own. This prepared-  
ness, constantly demonstrated, is cited as  
material assurance that the country  
is better protected today than ever  
before from the suffering such mis-  
fortunes engender.

The tenth annual roll call for mem-  
bership to achieve a membership of  
25, and is an opportunity for all to  
enroll themselves in the American  
Red Cross.

Prominent Lecturer  
Addresses Rotary Club

Dr. Henry Clark, former chautau-  
qua platform lecturer, now with the  
American Cities Bureau, and repre-  
senting the Mississippi Coast club in  
his drive next week along the coast  
for \$60,000, was a guest of the Bay  
St. Louis Rotary club Wednesday  
night in the interest of the cause,  
and was splendidly introduced by  
President Shipp in his elegant char-  
acteristic style.

Dr. Clark gave a most remarkable  
twenty-minute address, an inspiration  
and discourse that seemingly was all  
top short. He stressed with much  
emphasis that the work of the Missis-  
sippi club came under the heading of  
Rotary activities, service that it was  
a mark of service to have the citi-  
zens of the Coast in groups gave their  
time and effort for the benefit of all,  
in order this section might develop,  
prosper, attract more people and in  
turn benefit not one or a few but all  
it was fitting, he said, that the Rotary  
club, had him appear in the in-  
terest of this splendid work of  
Coast publicity, since after all it was  
purely service, and "service above  
self." It is hoped Dr. Clark will re-  
turn to the Coast at some future  
date.

## BAY ST. LOUIS BOY HAS LIGHT CONTRACT FOR GULF COAST FAIR

Archie Surcouf, of Surcouf  
Electric Shop, Has Had  
Work Since First Year  
of Fair.

ELECTRICAL EFFECTS  
HIGHLY APPROVED

Has Remarkable Success  
With Institution—Elec-  
trical Expert Put O. K.  
on Work.

Lighting facilities and electrical  
effects at the Mississippi Gulf Coast  
Fair this week for 1926 were un-  
usually clever and efficiently constructed,  
and it was noticed there was a flood  
of lights to all parts of the fair, an  
improvement on other like occasions.

Technical Side of Extensiveness of

A report from Gulfport said there  
was a total of 155,000 watts per  
hour consumed during the fair, of  
which 70,000 were utilized by the  
1105 ten to two-hundred-watt globes,  
placed in the main exhibit hall and  
entrance to the fair grounds. There  
were 400 lights of 100 watts each used  
on the grand stand to supply illumina-  
tion for the free acts in the open  
space.

Like the Play of Hamlet With

Hamlet Left Out.

This unusual amount of electric  
wiring, and installing of lights was  
done within a comparative short time,  
and all under the personal direction  
of Archie Surcouf, of the Surcouf  
Electric Shop, of Bay St. Louis, a na-  
tive son, whose connection with this  
branch of work with the fair dates  
back to the first year of the fair. It  
was strange to hold a fair without Sur-  
couf, so indispensable is his work.

Giant Modern Switchboard

A feature was planned this year  
and carried out by Mr. Surcouf;  
namely, a modern first-class switch-  
board, which was located in the oper-  
ating room in the main exhibit hall.  
This switchboard met all require-  
ments of the safe distribution of elec-  
trical current. All wires were in-  
sulated and all parts of the board  
showed safety devices. Every light  
for the entire fair grounds was con-  
trolled from this master switchboard.  
Two intakes for power gave 110 voltage  
each, while a second connection gave  
220 voltage.

General Satisfaction Expressed.

Mr. Surcouf expressed considerable  
satisfaction at the work and felt it  
would work just as it came out.  
Thoroughly satisfactory and to the  
advantage of all concerned. Insur-  
ance inspectors inspected the work  
and the giant switchboard Monday,  
the day before the fair opened, and  
gave Surcouf a general O. K., just as  
he deserved for a week's work.  
The day and night on the project and it  
is well that his efforts and willing  
spirit were crowned with success—  
both to himself and the people and  
public he served. Mr. Surcouf will  
return home within the next few  
days and again be at his shop, as  
usual.

A. PALMER LOTT  
RETURNS FROM  
TRIP TO CHICAGO

Local Realtor Home From Business  
Trip to Metropolis of West—Says  
Coming Winter to Be Biggest For  
This Section

A. Palmer Lott, veritable "live  
wire" local realtor, is just back from  
an extensive trip and visit to Middle  
West and Eastern cities, spending the  
major portion of his absence from  
Bay St. Louis at Chicago, northern  
and mid-west scene of activity for  
the Mississippi Gulf Coast, where he  
interested a number of capitalists and  
others in local projects.

"I found the Mississippi Gulf Coast  
already sold to Chicagoans," said Mr.  
Lott enthusiastically, for he is a  
booster and ardent friend of this sec-  
tion, "and it is a safe bet to confi-  
dently expect almost any number of  
winter tourists this way during De-  
cember and a bigger number after the  
holidays. The Coast has never had  
such future, and a little more adver-  
tising, such as the Mississippi club  
are putting out, will activate this  
club and local Chambers of Commerce  
move all the more intensely and ex-  
tensively."

Mr. Lott speaks first hand, for he  
is fresh from Chicago and interviewed  
any number of people whose word  
carries and who are interested in  
this section. "New York built Flori-  
da," said Mr. Lott, in conclusion,  
"and Chicago is going to develop the  
Mississippi Gulf Coast."

BOX SUPPER AT PEARLINGTON.

There will be a box supper at Pear-  
lington Saturday night, November 13,  
benefit of school at that place, for  
the school is in need of funds. The  
supper, candy, pop and peanuts will  
be served. The management advises  
everybody to come; to be early and be  
happy. Help the good cause by nu-  
merous attendance and liberal pa-  
tronage.

FOOTBALL TOMORROW.

Jefferson will meet Stanislaus on  
the gridiron at 2:30. Everyone knows  
the annual meet of the two elevens  
is an event of absorbing interest and of  
thrilling anticipation.

## FINANCIAL DRIVE FOR MISSISSIPPI COAST CLUB LAUNCHED IN BAY CITY

Interesting and Enthusiastic Meeting Held Tuesday Night  
By Chamber of Commerce With Mississippi Coast  
Club—Committee Appointed.

SPEAKERS OF PROMINENCE ADDRESS CHAMBER

Annual Drive For Club Sustenance and Gigantic Advertis-  
ing Program to Be Launched Monday Morn-  
ing—\$3,500 Bay St. Louis Quota.

## SORSBY IS TO ANSWER UNITED STATES CHARGE

Man Who Killed Postal In-  
spector and Pardoned,  
Goes Court Monday.

HELD BACK FUNDS,  
INDICTMENT AVERS

Story of His Fight For Free-  
dom One of Most In-  
teresting.

That "the way of the transgressor  
is hard" is strikingly illustrated by  
the troubles of William A. Sorsby,  
slayer of Postoffice Inspector Charles  
Fitzgerald, who must face an indict-  
ment in the United States district  
court in Jackson, charging him with  
embezzlement and failure to deposit  
United States postal funds.

Eighteen years ago Sorsby shot and  
killed Postoffice Inspector Fitzgerald  
on the station platform at the little  
town of Clinton, ten miles west of  
Jackson, as the federal officer was  
about to board a train for Jackson.

Sorsby rushed up, shoved a pistol in  
his abdomen and fired. Fitzgerald  
staggered against the train, mortally  
wounded. In the commotion that fol-  
lowed Sorsby escaped. Fitzgerald  
was placed aboard the train and  
was taken to a hospital in Jackson.  
Death followed about three hours  
later while he was on the operating  
table, with surgeons probing for the  
bullet.

The provoking cause of the assas-  
sination quickly became public. Post-  
office Inspector Fitzgerald had spent  
the afternoon checking up the ac-  
counts of the Clinton postoffice and  
found Sorsby, the deputy in charge,  
several hundred dollars short. Sorsby  
appealed to him not to make an of-  
ficial report, promising to make restitu-  
tion in full as quickly as possible.  
The inspector was unwilling to prom-  
ise. The killing followed.

A Long Chase.

Charles Fitzgerald was one of the  
most popular men in the state, a big,  
gentle, lovable Irishman who had lit-  
erally pulled himself up by his own  
bootstraps, so to speak. Of an ob-  
scure family, deprived even of the  
advantage of a common school edu-  
cation, such as was given in his boyhood  
days, he succeeded in acquiring suffi-  
cient schooling to enable him to pass  
a civil service examination and en-  
tered the railway mail service. Sev-  
en years later he was made an in-  
spector, and was recognized as one of  
the most efficient men in that branch  
of the postoffice department. He  
numbered his friends by the thou-  
sands, and, incidentally, without seem-  
ingly striving to do so, built up a  
strong personal and political influ-  
ence throughout the state.



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Why is it that some good jokes are not re-tellable?

The sweet young things do not hibernate during the winter.

The approach of winter brings joy to the hearts of the dealers in fuel.

It is great to imagine what you would do if you hadn't done something else.

You can't always tell where you are travelling if you depend on road maps.

You can pay out your money a lot faster than you can collect what is due you.

Buying at home has been repeated so often that some people think it is an old joke.

We may not be brave but we will admit that we dislike the idea of anybody carving our anatomy.

What has become of the old man who used to get up early in the morning and work hard all through the day?

We wonder what would happen if the old maid who looks under her bed would happen to see a real burglar.

Our extra slice of pie for this week is awarded to the hepecked husband who has to support his wife.

Many a woman urges her hubby to buy a new overcoat without being urged, in turn, to purchase a new clock.

Congress is not so far away that it's shadow cannot be seen; perhaps that is the basis of the cold snap we have had.

Going to church never makes a man a saint, but it will do more towards that goal than staying at home on Sundays.

It is a long lane that has no turning, so is the saying that we have heard, but who said we were on any lane.

Many a man knows that the things he reads in the newspapers are not as important as a nice write up of his life would be.

New Orleans and the Mississippi Gulf Coast are united on one subject at least. Bridges over the Chef and Ragolots.

The baseball season, being over, the winter leagues will proceed to win all the pennants before the race begins next spring.

The end of the world may be very far away, but what will we do when the old pocketbook loses its slender pretensions to fatness?

Sometimes we write these paragraphs under pressure—your advantage is that you don't have to read them, pressure or no pressure.

Many a bright football team has concluded by this time that the game is not what it is supposed to be, and that the best team always loses.

When a peddler knocks at your door you might ask him in and tell him how much the mail order houses have done for Bay St. Louis.

One thing in favor of the present outlook is the absence of any just cause for the politicians to do much extensive talking in the next sixty days.

Our extra slice of pie for this week is awarded to the young lady who married the young man to reform him, and then let him reform her.

November brings us Armistice Day, Thanksgiving and the Red Cross Roll Call. There are some people who see little significance in any of them.

Whenever a man happens to be behind in his work, which is the major portion of the time, somebody is certain to drop in for a chat, that lasts an hour.

Paying your subscription this month will entitle you to a happy Christmas, and maybe Santa Claus will hear how good you are and bring you a nice little remembrance.

Queen Marie gave out tips to the extent of \$2,000, it is said. No democratic representative of American republicanism rejected the proffered donation from the hand of royalty.

Pete Herman, former bantamweight champion, is arrested in New Orleans under the Volstead Act. Pete says why can't he act anti-Volsteadian when everybody else is doing it?

The Smiths have it. Governor Smith, of New York, was re-elected Tuesday—and on a very wet ticket. Smith will be a formidable contender for presidential consideration.

And the fact remains Bay St. Louis was the pioneer seawall builder, and as such has set a "concrete" example solidifying the entire coastal line against water encroachment and other damage from the warring elements.

We are told by those in authority, and the statement has been made publicly more than once the past several days, great things are in store for the Gulf Coast; that the major improvements in process and projected are no circumstance to the things to come. These announcements coming from the source they do carry, and the day cannot hasten too fast. The Sea Coast Echo has every faith in the immediate future of this great Mississippi Gulf Coast, from the Bay St. Louis-Waveland section to the musical waters of Pass Christian and beyond, and there is every manifestation at hand our faith has not been misplaced.

## DEPOT FACILITIES AT CLERMONT.

An official communication from G. E. Evans, executive vice-president of the Louisville &amp; Nashville R. R. Co., by letter to Mr. Charles W. Hopkins, developer of Clermont, advises:

"It has just been decided to enter upon the work of improving the facilities at that point (Clermont Harbor), the estimated cost of which will be \$3,000 and \$4,000."

The Echo notes this is the result of a long endeavor. In his letter Mr. Evans states, "Please refer to correspondence in July, 1925," a year and four months ago.

Of course, it is good news for Clermont Harbor, but considering the improvement and advancement of this locality, south of Waveland and Bay St. Louis, has made within a comparative short time, including the building of a hotel of unusual proportions and attractiveness, it is nothing more than a matter of course.

The truth of the matter, it appears, Clermont Harbor is entitled to more; namely, a brand new and modern depot building at a minimum cost of \$10,000.00. Not that we are attempting to operate somebody else's business, but because conditions and the public interest demand and seemingly justify such attention.

We understand the L. &amp; N. has recently made it known that it is also decided to patch-up the Bay St. Louis depot, including extensive sanitary improvements and another coat of paint! There has been sufficient paint daubed on the Bay St. Louis antiquated depot to paint the entire city.

We hope and feel the Bay St. Louis Chamber of Commerce will not stand for such make-shift attention, and that a stiff fight, directed with every due consideration, be waged to the finish. The L. &amp; N. has addressed such a letter to the local Chamber of Commerce, and it will be given consideration at an early date. As a resort city, for summer and winter visitors, and in keeping with the beautification of the attractive park and garden system started in Bay St. Louis by the railroad company, there should be a depot of such liberal proportions and handsome mien commensurate with all that the name of Bay St. Louis represents—present and future.

## MUCH TO BE THANKFUL FOR.

Thanksgiving Day, national holiday, occurs on the twenty-fifth day of this month, and is fast approaching. On this day of prayer and thanks we as a nation have much to be grateful for, and in a local sense the people of this immediate neighborhood and more generally the Mississippi Gulf Coast will bow on bended knee and head in reverent pose to thank the Almighty for the bountiful things we are to be grateful for. They are legion. Especially do we realize our escape from the series of disastrous storms that have visited the country located south-easterly away, and where the toll of life and property was appalling.

President Coolidge in his proclamation says the Almighty has smiled upon our fields and they have brought forth plentifully; business has prospered; industries have flourished, and labor has been well employed. While sections of our country have been visited by disaster, we have been spared any great national calamity or pestilential visitation. We are blessed among the nations of the earth.

It is then for this reason we should be grateful and in addition to the exercises of the day set apart for thanks it seems we should back our appreciation with deeds; for instance, give to the Red Cross drives which run through the major portion of November. Bay St. Louisans cannot engage in a more ennobling endeavor.

President Coolidge further says:

"Our moral and spiritual life has kept measure with our material prosperity. We are not unmindful of the gratitude we owe to God for His watchful care which has pointed out to us the ways of peace and happiness; we should not fail in our acknowledgement of His divine favor which has bestowed upon us so many blessings. Neither should we be forgetful of those among us who, through stress of circumstances, are less fortunately placed, but by deeds of charity make our acknowledgement more acceptable in His sight."

A POTENTIAL MOVEMENT FOR BAY ST. LOUIS.

Beginning next Monday morning a number of business men of the city of Bay St. Louis, with President H. S. Weston, of the Chamber of Commerce, as ex-officio member, will begin a drive for annual funds for the Mississippi Coast club, with a set goal of \$3,500, \$1,000 of which is pledged by the Board of Supervisors under provisions of a new act of the legislature.

The standing complaint registered is, Bay St. Louis is never advertised. That is true. And for the reason Bay St. Louis cannot do it unaided. But by united action of the entire Coast under auspices of the Mississippi Coast club, Bay St. Louis can and will get its money's worth in manifold proportion and result. No one will turn away the committee on its mission for funds next week. A check for such cause is an investment. Give it with a smile. The committee will appreciate your spirit and assistance.

## MUCH SPACE WASTED.

Entirely too much newspaper space has been wasted on the Hall-Mills murder of New Jersey, and the Almes Semple McPherson narrative from California. What is gained by keeping the wires hot on these trials escapes us.

If the public wishes to read of illicit relations and to puzzle over Mrs. McPherson's saint or sinner query, it would probably like many sordid and salacious tales that can be featured all over the country.

Many people who read this kind of stuff as news, shudder with horror at young minds enjoying "smutty stories," and other magazines of that like. Every once in a while we are almost convinced that the public wants to read the detailed account of such rotten exhibits. If this is correct the public mind is filthy.

Understand, we advocate no censorship of crime news. Let them be reported reasonably, not featured and played up as outstanding events in the national life.

Latest Echogram—Queen Marie might visit New Orleans, and after all the Biloxi Chamber of Commerce might not be disappointed. It will be remember when the queen signified her intention of crossing the pond, Biloxi wired, "Sweet Marie, Come to Me." Signed Ragasin.

The Gulfport Herald wants to coin the term "Mississippi Coast" rather than the "Mississippi Gulf Coast." Why take all the charm and romance away? The Herald contends the Gulf Coast extends from the West Florida to the Texas coast. Even then, Mississippi Gulf Coast with the prefix still identifies it. We move the motion be tabled.

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Pass Christian has never had the opportunity now presented to further beautify its city from than at present, since the gap between street and new seawall has been filled, leveling a surface that will not only permit the building of a boulevard but a space that will lend itself to the planting of palms and other ornamental shrubbery. But Pass Christian has initiative and this improvement in time will come to pass.

## CURRENT COMMENTS

BY HARRY STUART SAUCIER.

More Artillery Needed.

From the four corners of these great United States the cry is raised: "Bring on more guns!"

Time was when the bandits confined themselves to the open spots, where quick get-aways could be made or open warfare fought. They would swoop down on an express train as it tore across the great spaces between cities, flag it down, blow open the treasure cars and rob the quailing, nervous passengers, with the space of a few minutes all this was accomplished and they were off to their lairs.

Now our banditry is holding forth in the big cities, instead of six-shooters alone they are armed with sawed-off shotguns and they travel in swift automobiles. Therefore, they cry comes from the law enforcement officers for something to combat the desperate foe.

Supt. Healy, of the New Orleans police, has appeared before the police board and asked for adequate facilities to enable him to cope with the situation. Ten swift, high-powered cars, with the necessary shooting material will soon be at his disposal.

Chief Healy remarked that in order to successfully combat these criminals it is essentially necessary to have the same facilities as they have. War to the knife on the principal thoroughfares is now in order.

Give Unto Caesar.

"Big Boy" Peterson, a product of Kiln, Miss., who is a well-known heavyweight scrapper in the stable of the noted Paul Lacroix, fight impresario, had the spotlight thrown on him the other day as he stood in company with the great Jack Dempsey, upon the latter's arrival in the Crescent City.

The "big-time" papers gave New Orleans a "Big Boy" home place. They were wrong with a big Capital W, the lumberjacks of Kiln rightfully lay claim to the big mitt artist as their own son and are ready to prove that he belongs to the district where the long-leaf yellow pine waves its majestic needle-crested crown in the Gulf breeze.

If Caesar is to get what's coming to him, then give the Kiln hers.

Big Stealing.

Jealous of the many successful thefts occurring daily throughout the country and taking all the big page space, the oil men of West Texas hit on something big when they swiped a whole county seat.

The residents of Pelmons, in Hutchinson county, are going to the courts to prove that these oil magnates are deliberately stealing their justly-earned money by voting many "judicial dead men etc." in order to elevate the town of Stinett to the proud position held so long by Pelmon.

Pelmonites realize that dismantling county seats has about the same effect that stopping a dynamo obtains.

Righteous Anger.

A lady stopped the writer recently and inquired as to the penalties imposed on the owners of cattle that had been caught roaming and impounded. He answered to the best of our knowledge. The lady thereupon began a scathing denunciation of some enforcement officers, she said, in part:

"It seems a crying shame that these poor people have to pay so much if their stock get away from them, I passed there just a while ago and saw about twenty head of cows impounded at once. If the law officers would pay half as much attention to the bootleggers whose nefarious practice is ruining homes and disintegrating families, as they do to the poor cows, they would indeed be earning their salt."

Selah!

City of Many Improvements.

While in Pass Christian a few days ago, it was noticed that king pace with Bay St. Louis. Many substantial improvements are noted—new business buildings adorn Front street, one of the main business arteries, and practically every street in the city is paved.

It appears to The Echo under the constructive administration of Mayor J. H. Spence, Pass Christian has made wonderful strides, in addition to the impetus given by the dawn of a new era for the entire Mississippi Gulf Coast. An improvement anticipated is the projected building of the new city hall for which bonds have been sold and funds are on hand. "Nature's gift to the Gulf Coast" is growing fast, and accelerating at that. Mayor Spence and his associates are doers.

QUEEN MARIE MAY YET VISIT NEW ORLEANS

Queen Marie, of Rumania, now making a trip through the west, is considering extending her tour of the United States to include Florida and points between that state and Washington, D. C. The Florida trip will be made after a few days' rest at Washington, which will be reached about November 25.

Mrs. Lydia Wickliffe, who welcomed the queen on her arrival in the United States on behalf of Louisiana, declared Monday she felt Queen Marie would include New Orleans in her itinerary now that it had been changed.

The queen goes to Florida, declared Mrs. Wickliffe, "she surely will come to New Orleans. She has already expressed herself as anxious to see the old French town of America. We are going to make every effort to bring her here and I feel sure she should see some of the south as Florida, she surely will come to New Orleans."

EDGEMOUNT GOLF COURSE.

Simultaneously with the work of completing the building, the Edgemount Golf Hotel company has a few men finishing the golf course located directly to the rear of the big hotel. It is one of the finest courses on the Coast and will prove of an inestimable asset to the hotel and will serve as a guarantee to avoid vacant rooms.

The meanest man in the world has been found. He waited until a thunder shower came up and turned the kitchen light off without an umbrella.

What they need on automobiles nowadays is not spare tires, but spare ribs.

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## VIEWES AND REVIEWS

"What They Say Whether Right or Wrong."

Andrew C. Mellon, Secretary of the Treasury:

"Mussolini is one of the world's most vigorous personalities. He certainly is making a new nation out of Italy."

Bruce Barton, author:

"Virtue throughout the ages has little publicity while sin gets wonderful advertising in the newspapers, in plays, in books and in whispered conversations. Sin is everywhere made interesting, subtle and insinuating."

J. St. Lee Strachey, editor emeritus London Spectator:

"Defiance of the prohibition law has come to be regarded, and to a certain extent with reason, as one of the luxuries of the rich."

Oliver Lodge, British scientist:

"It seems absurd to believe that this earth is the only habitable world."

Alan Cobham, aviator:

"If aviation had been in vogue a thousand years ago we should all be speaking the same language."

Harry Lauder, comedian:

"Often after just humming I have caught as many fish as I need. When I really settle down to business I sing and two fish come up on one hook."

Dr. William J. Mayo, surgeon:

"The future of medical science lies in further investigation of the ultra-microscopic field, and as the microscope carried the average age of man from 20 to 58 years, so the ultra-microscope bids fair to raise it up to three score and ten—or more."

Dr. F. B. Bomberger, of extension service, University of Maryland:

"The American farmer is nearly a generation ahead of the European farmer."

Liberian native, quoted by Lady Dorothy Mills, explorer:

"They would never attack you, they fear the white man too much; but if you were already dead I don't think they would waste you."

German War Veterans, opposing the return of the Kaiser to Germany:

"He deserted us in 1918—we don't want him back in our country."

George Eastman, back from a big game hunt in East Africa:

"In Tanganyika they had to employ professional hunters to kill elephants that were overrunning the crops. . . . But the game is disappearing, notably in Kenya. Lions need to be considered a pest, but this year you can kill only five."

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS

BY WALTER ALLISON.

Many sheiks get loud suits with bad checks.

Jay walking has caused many a person to go straight.

The right kind of cook can make a cake-eater out of any man.

How can a wife's clock-hose look good to hubby when they're bought on tick?

Some women don't have to move to the seashore to keep their daughters out of clothes.

It wouldn't be a bad idea to put the dimmers on some of these check-flashers, too.

Hollywood movie stars are selecting their favorite automobile manufacturer. Mr. Fairbanks, will Mary Pick-ford?

Our idea of making a little spending money would be to sell court-plaster to Mussolini after a bomb explosion.

It's a wise hubby who obtains employment above a jewelry store. Think of the overtime, think of the overtime.

The lad who goes chestnut hunting with bare feet never comes home empty handed.

Yes, there's one advantage of being an old maid in Halloween. You save about 50 cents for a mask.

With about 99 million loud speakers in this country, we can hardly blame Cal for refusing to call an extra session of congress.

Dear Postmaster, If a cullud pusion slipped some letters down the chute would you call him a black-mailer?

"Oh, mamma, I thought Roosevelt was dead," cried little Dora as she glanced in the hall ready-to-wear window and saw teddy.

Why not start a "back to the farm" movement for ex-football stars. Don't they love the pigskin?

The meanest man in the world has been found. He waited until a thunder shower came up and turned the kitchen light off without an umbrella.

What they need on automobiles nowadays is not spare tires, but spare ribs.

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## SORSBY IS TO ANSWER UNITED STATES CHARGE

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE)

The assassination of Sorsby had appeared. The earth seemed to have literally opened up and swallowed him. The best sleuths of the post-office department, of the secret of the treasury department, star detectives from the inkerton and Bureau agencies, hurried to Jackson and the trail, but they were baffled from the start. Sorsby had made a complete get-away, leaving no clues behind. Bloodhounds were used by the local authorities, and for days the entire central portion of the state was in a turmoil, but not a trace of the youthful killer could be found.

A thousand dollars reward was offered by the state. E. F. Noel, then in the governor's chair, was an intimate personal friend of the dead man, and he exhausted every resource of his office to find Sorsby. The state was supplemented by offers from individuals and members of Fitzgerald's family, totalling \$10,000. An incessant search was kept up, skilled private detectives worked in co-operation with county, state and federal authorities month after month, but Sorsby remained among the missing. He had apparently outwitted the best man trailers of the nation.

### A Sensational Capture.

Fitzgerald was killed in September, 1908. Fourteen months later, Jack Cain, city jailer of Jackson, broke into the attic of an ante-bellum home in Clinton, owned by relatives of the Sorsby family, tore down a secret door, and captured the fugitive.

On a biting cold Sunday morning in November Sorsby was brought to the county jail in Clinton. For long he had been kept in hiding in the old colonial house at Clinton was never revealed. Although a mere youth, his face was covered with a heavy beard, and he had doubtless been there for several months. Vague stories were told of his wanderings through the west, of a trip to Panama and South America, but Sorsby never told the details of how he escaped from Clinton on the night of the tragedy, or of his wanderings up to the time when the homing instinct brought him back to the spot where a rash impulse had wrecked his life. That he could have escaped the clutches of the law with a minimum sentence, or perhaps no punishment at all, was almost the last thought expressed by the dying inspector.

"I tried to be his friend, and also to do my duty," said Fitzgerald as he was carried to the operating table. He died murmuring words of forgiveness for his slayer.

### A Memorable Trial.

The trial followed several months later. Nearly a dozen of Mississippi's foremost lawyers were engaged for prosecution and defense. Not since that time has a more memorable criminal trial been staged in Jackson. The principal attorneys for Sorsby were Messrs. Watkins & Watkins, members of the local bar. Arrayed against them were Ben H. Wells and Chalmers M. Williams, now deceased, perhaps the best known legal firm in the city. Associated with Jobie Greaves, district attorney, was Hon. R. N. Miller, of Hazlehurst, famed far and wide as the best criminal prosecutor in the state.

The usual battle for change of venue was staged, without result, and the prisoner was forced to trial. Public sentiment was overwhelmingly against him, and only one result could be foreseen. Everybody felt that Sorsby, despite the prominence of his family, the eminence of his counsel, and the thousands of dollars being spent for his defense, was doomed for the gallows.

### Saved By Brown Eyes.

Sorsby was saved by a pair of brown eyes. Throughout the trial, sitting within six feet of the jury was his wife, a strikingly beautiful young woman with a pair of soft, limpid brown eyes, who narrowly followed every maneuver of the long legal battle, frequently burst into tears and played the role of an anguished wife so effectively that the jury, after deliberating for ten hours, returned with a verdict of guilty, but recommended the accused to the mercy of the court.

Under the Mississippi statutes the finding had to be accepted, and Sorsby was sentenced to a term of life imprisonment in the penitentiary. Members of the jury panel afterwards frankly admitted that it was only sympathy for Sorsby's wife and his faithful old mother that caused them to put the mercy clause in their verdict.

### Becomes a Political Issue.

The verdict angered and embittered the Fitzgerald family, one of its foremost members being Edward Fitzgerald, a younger brother, publisher of the Vicksburg Herald, and a man of wide political influence. He expected nothing short of a death sentence.

Sorsby was hardly within prison walls when a movement was started by influential relatives to secure his pardon. The principal figure in this fight was his aged mother, who had exhausted a fortune in defending her son, and who worked unceasingly to arouse sympathy in his behalf.

In at least two gubernatorial campaigns that followed, the question of whether or not Sorsby should be pardoned became a political issue. The Fitzgerald family used its influence to the utmost, arrayed against a battling mother who was fighting silently but forcefully to secure her son's release.

Time after time petitions for pardon were presented, only to be rejected at the executive office. Aspirants to the governorship had declared on the stump that they would not pardon Sorsby, and made good on their promises, despite the pleadings of a heart-broken mother.

### An Efficient Prisoner.

When Sorsby reached the penitentiary he was put under the gun, and there he remained for several years, a common laborer in the fields. But ambition will assert itself, and ability will make itself known, even within prison walls. Within six years after donning stripes, Sorsby was wearing the garb of a trusty, and working in the prison office despite the statutory edict that "an influential, conspicuous or notorious criminal shall in no case be made or employed as a trusty." The statute was plainly violated when prison superintendents took Sorsby out from under the gun and gave him employment at

office work. And to his credit it should be said that Sorsby won the prison officials over because of ability and attractive personality. It can be explained on no other grounds. He was an efficient office man, of the type rarely found within prison walls, and penitentiary officials evidently needed his services, otherwise they would not have violated the statute by removing him from the cotton fields to the office.

### Brown Eyes Vanish.

While Sorsby was waging his own uphill fight from prison farm plow to office desk his devoted old mother was keeping up an unrelenting fight for a pardon. It was an almost hopeless fight, waged single-handed, against overwhelming odds. Despite the fact that a life sentence in the Mississippi penitentiary seldom means life sentence, especially when the prisoner is a mere youth, it was the prevalent opinion that Sorsby would remain in the penitentiary until the end of his days; that no governors would dare to fly in the face of public sentiment and political power by granting him a pardon.

To make matters worse, the beautiful wife with limpid brown eyes who changed a jury verdict disappeared from the scene. Sorsby's wife remained in Jackson a year or so after the trial, went to California to visit relatives, obtained a divorce, and faded out of the picture. The aged mother was left to fight her battle alone.

### Sorsby Escapes.

Every resource within the power of this anguished mother was used in vain. Governor succeeded governor, and all were obdurate. They would not consider a pardon petition in behalf of Will Sorsby. To grant clemency in his behalf would have been nothing short of political suicide.

In the meantime the noted prisoner had worked up to the position of chief office assistant at the Parchman farm. He had almost as many liberties as a free man, and one cold night in January, 1920, he calmly walked off. A frantic search followed. Again the power of the federal government was summoned to aid in his capture, but without avail. Once more Sorsby had simply vanished from the face of the earth.

But the arm of the law is long, and also remorseless. Two years passed. One morning a telegram came to J. J. Coman, secretary of the prison board of trustees, that Sorsby had been located and placed under arrest at a small town in Kansas, where he was working as telegrapher and station agent. The prisoner readily confessed identity, and expressed willingness to return to Mississippi without requisition papers.

A few days later Sorsby came to Jackson in custody of a prison sergeant. He was returned to one of the prison farms, and within six months had so completely won the confidence and esteem of the penitentiary authorities that he was again a trusty.

### Pardoned By Whitfield.

In September of last year Sorsby received a full pardon from Gov. Whitfield, based on a recommendation from the prison board of trustees that he was entitled to discharge on the grounds of meritorious conduct. He had frustrated the escape of a gang of desperate criminals at Parchman. At least, this was the story told at the prison office, and never successfully disputed.

The meritorious conduct report, however, was not the real cause of Sorsby's pardon. From the moment Henry L. Whitfield entered the governor's office he was besieged with a mother's tears, pleadings and importunities in behalf of her son. Pathetic scenes were enacted within the executive office as Mrs. Sorsby, day after day, pleaded with the governor to restore her boy to liberty and give him a chance to become a law-abiding citizen.

Singularly, the granting of clemency to Sorsby caused little or no comment. Fifteen years previously it would have aroused a storm of resentment throughout the state. There was not even an utterance of protest from members of the Fitzgerald family, and the press of the state dismissed the incident, with casual comment, devoid of criticism for the governor's act.

### Federal Indictments.

A few weeks after Sorsby's capture, and prior to his trial on the charge of murder, the United States district court met in Jackson, and he was indicted by the federal grand jury on several counts, charged with the embezzlement of postal funds. The evidence was presented by postoffice inspectors who had checked over the report of their dead colleague, Charles Fitzgerald, and found them correct.

When Sorsby was pardoned by Gov. Whitfield he went direct to the federal building, sought an interview with District Attorney E. E. Hindman, and announced his willingness to face the ancient federal indictments. The papers were dug out of a musty file, and on the day following Sorsby was admitted to bail to await the next federal court term.

### Prosecutor Engaged.

The November term of court passed, and the Sorsby indictments were not called. The district attorney apparently did not want to call up the cases on his own initiative, and the relatives of Charles Fitzgerald were apparently not interested. The May term of court during the current year came and went, and still the cases remained in the files. District Attorney Hindman was busy with the prosecution of bootleggers and moonshiners, and barely had enough time to dispose of the live business on his docket. He had frankly informed relatives of the dead man that, being unfamiliar with the details of the case, he associated with the prosecution would be welcome, but not as an associate.

On yesterday word was received by the district attorney's office that J. W. Cassidy, of Brookhaven and Hattiesburg, recognized as one of the foremost attorneys in the state, had been engaged by the Fitzgerald family to assist him in the prosecution, and asking that the indictments against Sorsby be called when the United States district court convenes in Jackson.

Notification was given the defense, and the Sorsby family has again retained William E. Watkins for the defense. It is expected that the case will be called for hearing during the first week of the term.

Since his pardon Sorsby has been working as telegrapher and station agent at a wayside station a short distance from the Gulf & Ship Island road below Collins.

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## BOARD SUPERVISORS IN NOVEMBER MEET

State of Mississippi, County of Hancock.

Be it remembered that a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors for the county and state at the courthouse thereof in the city of Bay St. Louis, on Monday, November 1st, 1926, same being the first Monday of said month and the time and place for the holding of said meeting, there were present, to-wit:

H. S. WESTON, President of the board; Jos. L. Favre, Calvin Shaw, Jos. P. Moran and John B. Wheat, members; A. K. Kergosien, clerk of said board, and Jos. V. Bontemps, sheriff of said county.

The clerk of this board has certified copies of the real and personal assessment to the state tax commission at Jackson, Miss., and whereas said commission has certified their corrections to this board, be it therefore ordered that the orders of the said commission be and the same is hereby spread upon the minutes of this board.

State of Mississippi, County of Hancock.

Whereas, the clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock County has filed with the state tax commission a copy of the personal assessment roll of the said county as of the first day of February, 1926, in the manner prescribed by law and showing a total assessment of real property of \$4,432,855.75, and appearing to the satisfaction of the state tax commission that the assessment contained in the same have been made and the roll prepared in conformity to the requirements of law and that the assessments have been fixed in accordance with the or-

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Ordered and adjudged this 26th day of October, A. D. 1926.

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company has accepted the said franchise, be it therefore ordered that a copy of their acceptance be spread upon the minutes of this board, the following of which is a copy:

State of Mississippi, County of Hancock.

Comes the Mississippi Power company, the grantee of a franchise to construct and maintain an electric distribution and transmission line upon and across the new bridge shortly to be erected across the Bay of St. Louis, by the counties of Hancock and Harrison, contained in an order of the Board of Supervisors of Hancock county, Mississippi, made at its regular October meeting, A. D. 1926, and appearing of record in Minute Book, pages 98-95, of said Board of Supervisors, and on this, the 26th day of October, 1926, filed this in written acceptance of all the terms and conditions contained in said franchise.

MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY, BY B. E. EATON, President.

Attest: W. L. EWIN, Asst. Secretary.

Whereas, there has been some confusion, or misunderstanding as to when the bids for the sale of the Road Protection bonds should be received and whereas there seems to be some doubt as to whether or not the said bids should be received on Monday, November 1st, of Tuesday, November 2nd, and the board desires to receive the best bids available. Be it therefore ordered that all bids be received and opened by 11 o'clock on Tuesday, November 2nd, A. D. 1926.

Be it further ordered that the board adjourn until Tuesday morning, November 2nd, 1926, at 9 o'clock a.m. and reconvene at 10 o'clock a.m. on Tuesday, November 2nd, 1926.

H. S. WESTON, Pres.

Tuesday, morning, November 2nd, 1926. Board met pursuant to adjournment, present as of yesterday.

Report of the county health officer was received, read and ordered filed.

Report of the negro demonstration was received, read and ordered filed.

## WORK AND PLAY AT S. J. A.

### HALLOWEEN PARTY.

A delightful surprise was in store for the girls of S. J. A. when they returned from the football game last Sunday. To be sure it was nothing less than a Halloween party, including ghosts, cats and cobwebs.

As each girl was admitted into the dining room she was blindfolded and led before a waiting ghost who perished in asking most unpleasant and embarrassing questions, their leaving his trembling victim at a loss to know where he could be.

Fortunes were then read and a delightful feast ensued, followed by many ingenious attempts to bite suspended fruit and the playing of various games.

### PEP MEETING.

A crowd of enthusiastic girls met on the basketball court Wednesday afternoon to elect cheerleaders and to practice for the Jefferson-Stanlans game scheduled on Saturday.

The girls were chosen at 1926-1927 cheer leaders of S. J. A. The girls are eagerly preparing to do their share in cheering the Hotshots on to victory.

Be it ordered by the board that the clerk of this board advertise according to law for furnishing to Hancock county sign boards, as per plans and specifications on file in the clerk's office, the said bids to be sealed bids and to be delivered to the clerk not later than 11 o'clock a.m., Monday, December 6th, 1926. The successful bidder shall furnish bond in the manner provided for by law. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Whereas, in pursuance of an order of this board adopted at the regular session thereof, the clerk of this board did advertise for bids for the Road Protection (see wall) bonds of this county to be filed and presented on Tuesday, November 2nd, 1926, said bonds to bear interest at the rate of 5-1-2 per cent. and

### STARTLING FACTS.

Vivian treated class 27 to a box of candy. Mary isn't seen so much on week ends. The seniors are preparing for a big day Friday at the fair.

Certain girls have lost their interest in a certain college.

Theda is going into the Gray and Black Taxi Cab company business.

WE WONDER WHY.—Theda and Vivian have made a famous bet. Altheria came to school late last Thursday.

Betty ceased to giggle for a week? Lois became ambitious.

Some girls are looking forward to 1927 with some eagerness?

GHOSTS AND WITCHES.—Between the cramming for their monthly tests and the tension and excitement caused by Halloween's ghosts and hoboes the girls found precious little time for breathing last week. They therefore welcome most heartily the holiday which the fair at Gulfport will afford them Friday.

FRODOING ENGLISH STUDENTS.—Anna—Who is the author of Grey's Reg? Viri—Is it Tennessee?

HONORS FOR OCTOBER.—Seniors.

First Honor—Lila Glennon, Mary Bourgeois, Patricia Smith, Alberta Meyer, Evelyn Boh.

Second Honor—Margaret Blaine, Anna La Jean, Vivian Blaine, Altheria Black, Bryn Sauter.

Juniors.

First Honor—Lola Hobbs, Sallie Mae Atkinson.

Sophomores.

Second Honor—Mary Pierce, Lois de Grana, Hazel Kergosien, Verna Watson, Lucille de Arma.

Freshman.

Second Honor—Gertrude Partidge, Dorothy Hubbard, Ethel Schindler, Irene Canty, Anna Mae Blaine, Lorena Smith.

First Honor—Mary La Burren, Jerry Wolfe, Marie T. Anderson, Frances Scott.

Second Honor—Catherine Scatide, Margie Bates.

Fifth Grade.

Second Honor—Lorraine Quintini, Mary Louise Crawford.

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